

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator based on an oil-in-water dispersion ~~whose oil phase contains~~ comprising an oil phase of at least one hydrophobic compound and an aqueous phase ~~containing~~ which comprises at least one stabilizer, water and, ~~if required~~ optionally, a thickener, wherein the oil-in-water dispersion ~~contains~~ comprises a combination of

- (i) at least one polyglyceryl ester which is ~~obtainable~~ obtained by at least 20% esterification of polyglycerol with a carboxylic acid of 12 to 36 carbon atoms
and
- (ii) at least one bisamide of ethylenediamine and carboxylic acids of 10 to 36 carbon atoms.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hydrophobic compound is selected from the group consisting of the alcohols of at least 12 carbon atoms, alkoxylated fatty alcohols, mono-, di- and triglycerides of fatty acids, fatty acid esters of carboxylic acids of at least 12 carbon atoms and monohydric to tetrahydric alcohols of 1 to 24 carbon atoms, hydrocarbons having a boiling point above ~~200~~ 200 °C, fatty acids of 12 to 26 carbon atoms, 3-thiaalkan-1-ols, 3-thiaoxoalkan-1-ols, 3-thiadioxoalkanols, ~~and~~ esters of the thiaalkane compounds and mixtures thereof.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hydrophobic compound is selected from the group consisting of the alcohols of at least 12 carbon atoms, alkoxylated fatty alcohols, mono-, di- and triglycerides of fatty acids, fatty acid esters of carboxylic acids of at least 12 carbon atoms and monohydric to trihydric

alcohols of 3 to 22 carbon atoms, hydrocarbons having a boiling point above ~~200~~ 200 °C, fatty acids of 12 to 22 carbon atoms, 3-thiaalkan-1-ols, 3-thiaoxoalkan-1-ols, 3-thiadioxoalkanols, ~~and~~ esters of the thiaalkane compounds and mixtures thereof.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of (i) polyglyceryl esters to (ii) bisamides is from 10 : 1 to 1 : 10.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein the weight ratio (i) polyglyceryl esters to (ii) bisamides is from 3 : 1 to 1.5 : 1.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein the oil phase ~~contains~~ comprises at least one fatty alcohol having with 12 to 26 carbon atoms in the molecule, at least one glyceryl ester of fatty acids of 12 to 26 carbon atoms and at least one mineral oil.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, wherein the amount of the hydrophobic phase of the oil phase in the composition of the oil-in-water dispersion is from 5 to 60% by weight and the amount of the aqueous phase is from 95 to 40% by weight.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, wherein the oil-in-water dispersion contains from 0.1 to 50% by weight of at least one polyglyceryl ester.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): An antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1, which contains ethylenebisstearamide as bisamide (ii).

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): ~~The use of a mixture of~~ An additive for antifoams and/or deaerators comprising

- (i) at least one polyglyceryl ester which is obtainable by at least 20% esterification of polyglycerol with a carboxylic acid of 12 to 36 carbon atoms
and
- (ii) at least one bisamide of ethylenediamine and carboxylic acids of 10 to 36 carbon atoms
~~as an additive for antifoams and/or deaerators based on oil in water dispersions.~~

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The use of an antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1 for foam control of aqueous media which tend to form foam, in particular for foam control in pulp cooking, pulp washing, the beating of paper stock, papermaking and the dispersing of pigments for papermaking.

Claim 12 (New): A method for foam control comprising adding an antifoam and/or deaerator as claimed in claim 1 to a process.

Claim 13 (New): A method as claimed in claim 12 wherein said process is a process for making paper.

Claim 14 (New): A method as claimed in claim 12 wherein said process is pulp cooking, pulp washing, paper stock beating, papermaking and pigment dispersing.

Claim 15 (New): A paper made by the process as claimed in claim 13.